

**TODAY'S BATTLES WILL MAKE RING HISTORY;  
TAKE A SLANT AT THE SPORTING DOPE**

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## **WESTERN BOY HAS THRILLING EXPERIENCE WITH WILD MONTANA MOUNTAIN LION**

*Clings to Branches of Pine Tree All Night In Below Zero  
Weather, While Beast Claws for Him—Falls  
to Ground Frozen—Will Lose Both Legs.*

Butte, Mont., Feb. 22.—While the wind howled and the snow flew and the cold cracked around Frankie Enstrom, the green-eyes and the white teeth of a big mountain lion kept flashing up through the dark at the boy just a few feet above where the beast was clawing at a pine trunk.

Whoof! Whoof! Whoof! went the big lion all through the night. And Frankie just hung on for dear life, freezing and benumbed, to the icy pine branch.

Frankie Enstrom is just 11 years old. He lives alone with his father in a little cabin a few miles from the mining camps of Anaconda. There his half brothers work, and the other day Frankie rode over to visit them. He went with one of the teamsters who lives near his father's cabin. That night he missed the teamster going home. The half brothers told Frankie they had no room for him

and that he had better "hoof it for home."

So Frankie started.

It was 5 o'clock and the sun was just sinking behind the white snow-splashed mountains when he began to wind his way along the narrow pass that leads for five miles through the wild defiles to Georgetown. He was not afraid—then—or even when, half an hour later, deep purple shadows began to fill the canyon with gloom. For Frankie knew his way perfectly and he knew that he would meet no one there that night.

Frankie was not cold, although the thermometer, high up on the plateau of the Rockies, registered 35 degrees below zero and the snow cracked and snapped under his feet. He was walking fast and he was dressed for Western winter weather. He had on three woolen undershirts, a woolen